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QUERIES REGARDING JONES

To the Editors WM. AND MARY COLLEGE QUARTERLY, Williamsburg, Va.:

In Volume V of your Magazine, pages 192-197, is found an account of some of the descendants of Rev. Rowland Jones, the first minister of Bruton Parish. Concerning one branch of these, you quote (page 194) Col. Cary as follows:

"The line of descent is broken here, and a gap of forty-five years occurs before the family reappears in Albemarle, in the persons of *Lain* and *Wm.* Jones, who were surely sons of either *Orlando, Rowland,* or *William,* the remaining sons of 'Lain Jones, Sr., deceased' (who married Ann Barber)."

To this the Editor adds (pages 196-7):

"The statements of Col. Cary in the latter portion of this account need some modification. The 'gap' spoken of is bridged several times in the York and Albemarle county books. . . . Orlando, Lane, and William Jones, mentioned by Col. Cary, were more probably the sons of Orlando Jones, who was in Albemarle in 1769 as a witness to the will of John Hudson."

Certain Albemarle records induced in my mind some doubt as to the "surely" of Col. Cary and even of the milder "more probably" of the Editor. They seemed to be one generation further from Rev. Rowland Jones than had been indicated. Now come the Albemarle County records confirming this, showing that the three brothers Orlando, Lain, and William Jones were sons of *Lain* Jones, who died about 1805. It is also shown that this Lain Jones was son of Orlando Jones mentioned above as "son of Lain Jones deceased" (and his wife Ann Barber). The Editor speaks of this Orlando as in Albemarle in 1769 as witness, etc. As a matter of fact, he was then resident there, having removed to Albemarle from Hanover, purchasing a farm on Totier Creek, near the present Glendower, and dying there in 1793, leaving the one son Lain, mentioned above.

Besides being interested in this Jones family for other reasons, I am also desirous to know clearly its relationship with the Woodson family. One Elizabeth Woodson appears as witness to the will of John Hudson, Albemarle, 1769, whose wife was Ann Jones, sister of Orlando; and the will of John Woodson of "Carter's Ferry," Cumberland Co., April, 1793, mentions daughter Judith, as "late wife of Orlando Jones." Will some one kindly identify this Orlando, and also inform the writer whether there were any children of this marriage? Possibly he was the Orlando mentioned in the York Co. records, 1761, as ward of Roger Gregory (and nephew of Orlando, of Albemarle).

The youngest son of Lain Jones and his wife, Ann Barber, was William, born November 7, 1746. Information as to marriage and descendants of this William Jones is desired.—*B. L. Ancell,* Yangchow, China, Oct. 6, 1916.